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### **Turkey announces tender for the import of 3000 head of bulls**

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**Report Highlights:**

Turkey's Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock (MinFAL) announced Tuesday, March 10, 2015, a tender for the import of 3,000 head of bulls. Tender specifications are provided below and are identical to those for a tender as explained in the GAIN Report from February 24, 2015.

The animals will be distributed among establishments within the regions DAP (Ağrı, Ardahan, Bingöl, Bitlis, Erzincan, Erzurum, Elazığ, Hakkâri, Iğdır, Kars, Malatya, Muş, Tunceli and Van Provinces), DOKAP (Samsun, Ordu, Giresun, Trabzon, Rize, Artvin, Bayburt and Gümüşhane Provinces) and KOP (Konya, Karaman, Niğde and Aksaray Provinces) which will benefit from the granted subsidy given by MinFAL.

**General Information:**

A tender for 3,000 head of breeding bulls (1,500 head of Simmental and 1,500 head of Charolais or Limousin) will be held on March 31, 2015. The animals will be purchased for importation from the countries authorized to export breeding cattle to Turkey, which include the United States, Australia, Hungary, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, France, Austria, Slovakia, Sweden, Czech Republic, Greece (except the regions of Lesvos/ Midilli, Samos, Rhodos, Chios, Kos, Ikaria, Dodekanisa, Kalymnos, Halki islands, Peloponnese, East Macedonia and Thrace), Germany, Netherlands, Italy (except the regions of Lazio, Toscana, Sicilia, Liguria, Calabria, Campania, Umbria Abruzzo, Molise, Basilicata and Sardinia Island, as published on the MinFAL web-site:

<http://www.tarim.gov.tr/Konular/Veteriner-Hizmetleri/Thracat-Ithalat/Ithalat>

The MinFAL General Directorate of Livestock will hold the tender on March 31, 2015, within the scope of Law No: 4734 on "Public Tender Law" of Turkey. The contact information for TIGEM is:

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**Specifications:**

The breeding bulls must be Simmental, Charolais or Limousin. The tender will require an age range and live weight for each breed as indicated below.

BREED	AGE (Month)	Weight (Kg)	NUMBERS (HEAD)
Simmental	14-24	400 kg	1500
Charolais or Limousin	14-24	400 kg	1500
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>3000</b>

The milk yield records of combined breed animals shall be as follows based on a 305 day period:

**Simmental (Fleckvieh):** If there is only a 1st lactation record of dams, the milk yield shall be a minimum of 6,000 kg; if there are records for more than one lactation, the milk yield average shall be a minimum of 6,500 kg and the milk fat shall be a minimum of 235 kg.

Beef breeds shall have the conditions below:

**Charolais:** The body must be spotless, mucosa pink, hair yellowish-white (cream) or white, and hornless;

**Limousin:** Must be light or dark red colored, and mouth and eye contours must be light colored.

The breeding bulls shall be skilled at mating.

[**Note:** MinFAL has not clarified the meaning of this requirement, or what unit of measurement will determine acceptability. MinFAL will send officials to select the animals before shipment. One of their criteria will be “skill at mating”. MinFAL has indicated that these bulls are for un-assisted breeding. MinFAL expects the exporter to replace bulls that do not perform adequately.]

The breeding bulls shall be born in the country from which they are exported. Turkey has implemented the new communique on `Control Document Requirements for Bovine Ovine and Caprine Imports` as explained in the GAIN Report from February 20, 2015.

All test and vaccination documents must be added to the original veterinary health certificate. The veterinary health certificate is published on the MinFAL web-site:  
[http://www.tarim.gov.tr/GKGM/Belgeler/Veteriner%20Hizmetleri/SaglikSertifikasi/ithalat/06\\_abd\\_dam\\_izlik\\_boga\\_sertifikasi.pdf](http://www.tarim.gov.tr/GKGM/Belgeler/Veteriner%20Hizmetleri/SaglikSertifikasi/ithalat/06_abd_dam_izlik_boga_sertifikasi.pdf)

#### **Quarantine Procedures and the place of destination:**

The quarantine shall be 21 days in Turkey and the capacity of quarantine places shall be at least for 250 head of animals. The animals shall be delivered to the following provinces; Kars, Ardahan, Ağrı, Erzurum, Van, Muş, Bingöl and Erzincan. The number of animals to be delivered for the above mentioned province is;

Province	Simmental	Charolais or Limousin	TOTAL (head)
Kars	40	40	80
Ardahan	40	40	80
Ağrı	40	40	80
Erzurum	40	40	80
Van	40	40	80
Erzincan	40	40	80
Bingöl	30	30	60
Muş	30	30	60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>600</b>

The tender will be held in 5 stages and 600 head of animals will be purchased in each stage. [**Note:** MinFAL has indicated informally that all 3,000 animals could be purchased at once.]